

CLUBS NOW WIELDED BY WARRIORS

Austro-German Soldiers Supplied With
Bludgeons and British Have "Big
Sticks" Like T. R. to Slay En-
emy Without Making Noise

GERMANS ARE USING IMMENSE SHELLS

Ten Inches in Diameter, Fifteen Inches
Long and Weighs 51 Pounds; Hurl-
ed by Air Gun; French Fighters
Have Fastest Handbomb

FOUR EXPLOSIONS TO
FIRE ONE BOMB.

ATHENS, Greece, Jan. 1.—
By Mail.—German trench
bombs fired from rifles, un-
loaded by all army experts
here show these rifle bombs
to be the most intricate of all
bombs so far used in the
great war. Four separate ex-
plosions are required to fire a
bomb. The explosion of the
rifle sends the bomb perhaps
300 yards, where it alights on
its nose, exploding a percus-
sion cap, which lights a brass
cap filled with gun cotton,
which also explodes and causes
half a pound of gun cotton in
the main body of the bomb
to be exploded. The bomb
weighs only a pound, is no
more deadly than most other
trench bombs and costs per-
haps ten dollars.

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(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

ATHENS, Greece, Jan. 1.—(By
Mail.)—At last the warriors have got
down to using clubs, just ordinary
clubs, for graining men. The Austro-
German soldiers are supplied with
bludgeons and on parts of the British
front the ally soldiers have been fur-
nished clubs covered with spikes.
These British clubs look much like
the big stick American cartoonists
used to picture T. R. using. The clubs
are for use by troops entering trench-
es on the fly and slaying noiselessly
so that men in other parts of the
trench don't know what is going on.

One of the newest missiles in the
great war is a huge shell the Ger-
mans throw at the Dardanelles. Only
air guns could throw the shell with-
out exploding it, and these new air
guns must be ten inches in bore and
many feet long. One of these big
shells which fell in the British line
unexploded has been taken apart by
experts. It was ten inches in diam-
eter and fifteen inches high, made of
sheet steel with wooden plug-disks at
each end. This big steel can contain-
ed 76 pieces of scrap iron and 23
pounds of trinitro-toluol. The mis-
sile weighed 51 pounds. The firing of
the big shell must have been touchy
work. Imagine a fire cracker ten
inches thick, what would blow a hole
in the earth six feet deep and ten feet
in diameter. Imagine yourself facing
the duty of lighting the fuse on this
56-pound cracker and then, while the
fuse was sputtering, placing the
cracker in the mouth of a giant air
gun and firing the gun in time to get
the cracker out of your neighborhood
before it went off.

Most hand bombs don't go off by
contact. They must be lighted first
and then thrown. Sometimes the light-
ing is done with a match or a cigaret;
other times by pulling a little string
which rubs two strips of sulphur to-
gether somewhere in the handle of the
bomb. Both sides in the great war
have bombs of various sorts for
various needs. If the enemy is coming,
for instance, you must have a bomb
that will explode quickly; if you're
rushing toward him you need a bomb
that you can throw far ahead and
that will have done its job by the
time you reach the scene.

The French have the fastest hand-
bomb known. The thrower wears a
leather thong on his wrist and a hook
on this thong is attached to a hook
on the bomb. The act of throwing
lights the fuse, which is so short and

so quick burning that the explosion
is almost immediate.

The slowest bomb, perhaps, is the
Serbian. It is shaped like a pocket
whisky flask, neck, stopper and all,
and is of iron and brass. The throw-
er unscrews the brass top, hits a fir-
ing pin on a stone or the butt of his
rifle and then, after a space of seven
seconds, throws it. The bomb throbs
in the man's hand just before it is
due to explode, giving him warning.
If he throws the bomb too soon the
other fellow may pick it up and throw
it back at him. Bomb experts figure
that any soldier can pick up a lighted
hand bomb and throw it away from
himself if he has five seconds to
spare.

ROCK IS HIT BY BRITISH STEAMER

Orissa, Reported Sunk or Captured by
German Raider, Arrives in French
Port After Meeting Miskap; Other
Vessels are Missing

By United Press.
NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The British
steamer Orissa, which was reported
sunk or captured by a German raider
while en route from Rio de Janeiro
to Liverpool, put into the French port
of St. Nazaire, according to dispatches
received today.

The Orissa was compelled to put into
port as a result of striking a rock,
reports state. Advice say no lives
were lost.

According to London advices, Lloyds
have posted the following steamers as
missing: The Satrap, Tynemout, Hummers and Glenariff, all British,
and the Inziativa and Benliare, Italian.

No word has been received from
any of these except the latter, which
sent a wireless message on December
27 that it was sinking off the Scilly
islands.

JAILED ON CHARGE OF CONTEMPT

Alva Joliff and Kenneth Joliff had
an inning in the county court yester-
day afternoon on charges of contempt
of court. Becoming obstreperous the
young gentlemen were, by the court,
permitted to sojourn in the county jail
until this morning at 10:30 o'clock
when they were again brought before
Judge Davenport for a hearing.

The defendants are charged with
having interfered with a little 12-
year-old girl, awarded to the care and
custody of Mr. and Mrs. James Bray
at Verdun. It was charged that they
had attempted to entice the little girl
away from the guardian appointed by
the court and that the child had be-
come afraid of the boys to such an
extent that she feared to attend
school, thinking an attempt to abduct
her might be made by the defendants.
At the hearing yesterday afternoon
the two young men refused to answer
the court's interrogatories and were
committed to jail to brood over mat-
ters. This morning both were in a
little more tractable humor and Judge
Davenport ordered the elder of the
young men, Albert, committed to jail
for 15 days, holding the order in abey-
ance for the present. The younger
defendant was, by the court, ordered to
recommitment until he should prove
willing to "come clean" with the court.

LONG BIKE TRIP.

By United Press.
GETTYSBURG, Pa., Feb. 10.—Wm.
Haner has returned from a pleasure
trip of 2,534 miles to Florida. He rode
a bicycle every inch of the way ex-
cept when sand forced him to dis-
mount and walk.

BANKER IS SUICIDE.

By United Press.
PANORA, Ia., Feb. 10.—M. M. Rey-
golds, president of the Guthrie county
national bank and reputed to worth
a half million, committed suicide to-
day with a revolver. Ill health is
assigned as the cause.

WILL ASK AUSTRIA TO EXPLAIN IT

Standard Oil Tanker Stopped by Submarine
and Supplies Seized; Shots Fired
After Vessel Stopped and
Seaman Wounded

BRITISH AND FRENCH NOT UNDERSTOOD

By Americans; Think U. S. Will Submit to
Any Insult as Long as Gold Flows
This Way; Not Ready
for Peace

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 10.—
Secretary Lansing says Austria must
explain why one of her submarines
stopped the Standard Oil company
tanker Petrolite in the eastern Med-
iterranean and helped herself to stores
on board the vessel.

The secretary said the request for
an explanation had not been embodied
in a note but perhaps formal demands
would be made later. The request
will be based on the affidavit of Cap-
tain Thompson of the Petrolite.

The captain said his vessel was fly-
ing the American flag at the time and
the name of the vessel's nationality
was painted in big white letters on
the side. He says the submarine
fired several shots after the tanker
stopped, wounding a seaman.

"Dollar Chasers."

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 10.—
Ed L. Keen, European general man-
ager of the United Press, and William
Phillip Sims, Paris manager, who are
back in the United States on a short
vacation, met here prior to returning
to Europe.

After coming in contact with the
American view point both say that
Americans are deceiving themselves
regarding the feeling of the people of
England and France toward America
and the possibilities for early peace.

Keen says the British regard all
Americans as dollar chasers. They
are convinced that Uncle Sam is will-
ing to submit to any insult rather
than relinquish the opportunity of lin-
ing his pockets with European gold.
It was declared that the British are
confident of winning and that they re-
sist any outside interference. Sims
says the French believe that Ameri-
cans value the dollar above ideals. He
says they will not listen to peace sug-
gestions till the Germans are de-
feated.

Roumania Calls Reservists.

By United Press.
LONDON, Feb. 10.—A dispatch
from Saloniki says all Roumanian re-
servists there have been ordered
home.

According to reports from Berne
the Roumanian government has ap-
pealed to the people to deposit all
their gold in the national bank.

Armenians Again Suffer.

By United Press.
GENEVA, Feb. 10.—The newspapers
here published dispatches saying that
the Turks have resumed the massa-
cre of Armenians. Reports say thou-
sands of men and boys have been shot
and the girls sent to Constantinople
to be sold to harems.

Large German Losses.

By United Press.
LONDON, Feb. 10.—The Germans
have lost 60,000 men during the last
ten days in the fighting for the pos-
session of the Vimy heights and along
the Somme, according to information
received here. The fighting is still
in progress in a heavy snow storm.

DEATH OF MRS. SCARLET.

A wire received from F. L. Slush-
er this morning announced the death
in Oklahoma City, of Mrs. Louisa
Scarlet at between the hours of 6 and
10 o'clock. Mrs. Scarlet was a full-
blood Chickasaw and was nearly 90
years of age. Sid Anderson of the
firm of Claycomb and Anderson, left
for Oklahoma City this afternoon and
will bring the body to Chickasha for
interment. Mrs. Scarlet is survived
by several grown children and a num-
ber of grand children.

KAISER'S CORFU PALACE SEIZED BY THE FRENCH



"Achilleion," the palace of the emperor of Germany on the island of Corfu, which has been seized by the French and converted into a hospital. The palace was originally built for Elizabeth, the empress of Austria, and was bought by the Kaiser in 1907. Greece has protested the seizure of the island by the allies, and the latter have just justified their course by saying that the island was used as a submarine base by the Teutons.

ROUSING RALLY FOR MISSIONS

Meeting at Christian Church Pronounced
Most Profitable; Not Dull Moment
During Day; Workers from For-
eign Fields Present

The missionary rally at the Chris-
tian church yesterday was truly one
of unusual interest. From its begin-
ning at 8 a. m. to its close at 9:30
p. m. there was not a dull minute.

Before the beginning there was
spread upon the walls of the church
such a profusion of mottoes, charts
and maps of missionary interest as
was probably never before seen in
Chickasha.

The rally team was a strong one,
composed of H. C. Hobgood of
Lutumba, Africa; C. E. Robinson of
Sendai, Japan, and Mr. Bert Wilson of
Kansas City. Visitors were present
from Anadarko, Carnegie, Nerge,
Ninnekah, Lawton and Walters. On
tables at the front were spread a large
collection of foreign curios, including
money, chop sticks, combs, shoes,
idols, dresses, implements of war, etc.

During the afternoon session short
addresses were made by Revs. Timor
of Walters, D. W. Boyer of Walters,
A. R. Davis of Anadarko, C. E. Wag-
ner of Lawton and G. Lyle Smith of
this city. The attendance of the af-
ternoon and evening sessions was
good, especially at night.

At 6:30 p. m. the ladies of the
church served a delicious luncheon,
after which a social hour was enjoyed
in the church parlors. Beside the
three excellent and instructive ad-
dresses at the coming session about
one hundred and fifty good stereopti-
con views were thrown upon the
screen illustrating missionary scenes
and activities in many countries. It
seemed to be the unanimous opinion
of those who attended that it was the
most interesting and profitable mis-
sionary meeting of their lives.

VICE PRES. W. U. DEAD

By United Press.
NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Belvidere
Brooks, vice president and general
manager of the Western Union Tele-
graph company, died here today.
Death was attributed to heart failure.
Brooks was born in Wheelock,
Tex., in 1859. He was a messenger
boy at the age of 15 and later became
manager of the El Paso and Dallas
offices. He was made general super-
intendent in 1910 and general man-
ager in 1913. He once served on the
staff of the governor of Texas.

CHIEF ASKS CITIZENS TO HELP HIM

Chief of Police Phillips wants the
citizens of Chickasha to aid him in
enforcing the ordinances of the city,
particularly those traffic regulations.
In a statement issued for publication
today, he says:

"To the Citizens of Chickasha:
I invite you to report any and all
violations of the traffic laws which
may come within your observation.
My request is based on two reasons.
"First, I want to enforce the law. I
want the persons who complain about
the law violations to do their share
in punishing or preventing these vi-
olations.

"How far and what efforts you will
lend us is a question. It is much
easier to kick about offenses and de-
nounce the administration and offend-
ers than it is to report them and aid
in their conviction. The average
American is reluctant to forego his
prerogative of kicking, but he like-
wise is loath to figure as a 'tattler' and
yet, as a good citizen, he has an obli-
gation to assist to the limit of his
ability in the enforcement of the law.
The statutes recognize constabulary
service on brief notice.

"Many evils flourish because the
only available witnesses against them
hesitate to offer testimony. Securing
testimony against gambling joints and
bawdy houses is almost impossible, al-
though persons qualified to give evi-
dence, are among the most frequent
complainants against these evils. It is
a matter of general observation that
a householder will hear a neighbor's
violation of the sanitary code, even when these vi-
olations become a menace to the com-
munity's health, rather than take the
initiative in securing their abate-
ment.

"It is true that the citizen, whose
zeal for law enforcement leads him to
report infractions of the law, is
often rebuked by the very authorities
entrusted with the responsibilities of
law enforcement. Such things have
happened often, here in Chickasha.
As a general proposition, however,
the good citizen shies at his own obli-
gation and, unless tempted by tan-
gible reward, avoids any semblance
of assistance in the daily work of ap-
prehending and punishing law-break-
ers.

"Now, I hope, in time, to win the
co-operation of the general public,
but am afraid to expect too much.

"BEN F. PHILLIPS,
Chief of Police."

SPEAKS AT MARLOW.

Superintendent Moman Shepard
went to Marlow yesterday afternoon
where, upon invitation, he delivered
before the Preachers' and Laymen's
institute an address favoring the es-
tablishment of Sunday schools in rural
schools throughout the state. Rural
Sunday schools, Superintendent Shep-
ard, declares, have become a neces-
sary adjunct to good education in
rural communities.

FINISH 65 GARMENTS FOR NEEDY

Over Forty Women Spend Day Sewing for
Poor; Six Dozen Pairs of Stockings
are Repaired; Presbyterian
Ladies Serve Luncheon

It is not recorded that there was
not considerable conversation during
the progress of the sewing bee that
was held at the Presbyterian parish
house yesterday under the auspices
of the United Charities, but at the
same time three sewing machines
hummed merrily and many needles
were busy making clothing for the
needy of the city.

Over forty women, members of the
various church societies, responded
to the appeal of the United Charities
and practically the entire day was de-
voted to the good work. As a net re-
sult of the day's activities, 65 gar-
ments, mostly for children, were com-
pleted and are ready for distribution.
Stockings? Yes, they did a little
darning, too. The inventory at the
close of the day showed that exactly
six dozen pairs were worked over to
minister to the comfort of as many
wearers.

For the most part the material for
the clothing was donated, some by
merchants who gave garments that
were unsalable "it could be worked
over. In one case three skirts were
made from a single garment thus con-
tributed.

At the noon hour the ladies of the
Presbyterian church served a hot
luncheon to the workers, consisting
of soup, sandwiches, etc. The sewing
bee will be repeated next Wednesday.

COUNCIL TO MEET

Late this afternoon Mayor Coffman
received a message stating that the
applicants for a gas franchise could
not arrive here in time for the meet-
ing tonight, but expected to be here
Saturday.

The city council will meet in reg-
ular session at the city hall tonight
and a busy time promises to occupy
the attention of that body.

Among the different items of busi-
ness, which will probably come before
the body will be the consideration of
a proposed gas franchise; the passing
of a drastic speed ordinance with in-
structions to the police department to
see that the same is enforced; the
matter of adding to and increasing
the equipment of the fire department,
thereby increasing its efficiency. In
addition to this regular routine mat-
ters, including the possible report of
the clock committee, will come before
the city fathers for attention.

SERV. CAR STRIKES 2 AT CORNER

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks are Run Down at
Sixth and Choctaw; Woman is Drag-
ged Some Distance; Injuries
May Be Serious

ALLEGED THAT AUTO WAS ON WRONG SIDE

Not Going Over Twelve Miles Per Hour;
August Sempore Driver; Chief Phillips
Will Ask Council to Take
Action

A service car belonging to the O. K.
Bus and Cab company driven by Aug.
Sempore, struck and bruised Mr. and
Mrs. M. Hicks as they were starting
across Choctaw avenue at the corner
of Sixth street at 8 o'clock yesterday
evening. Mrs. Hicks was thrown to
the paving and the car passed over
her, dragging her, it is alleged, from
15 to 20 feet. Mr. Hicks was thrown
down and two wheels of the car passed
over one of his feet.

The injured parties, Mr. and Mrs.
Hicks, were carried into the Central
hotel, where they live, and medical
aid summoned. Mrs. Hicks was found
to have been severely, perhaps seri-
ously bruised. Her right arm is in-
jured and she sustained two or more
severe cuts about the face, being ren-
dered unconscious. An X-ray exami-
nation of the injured arm will be made
this afternoon in order that the seri-
ousness of the injury to that member
may be determined.

Witnesses allege that the car, go-
ing south on Sixth street, was ap-
proaching the corner of Sixth and
Choctaw avenue, at a speed of approx-
imately 12 miles an hour; that the
driver was to the left of the center of
Sixth street and apparently starting
his machine on the turn into Choctaw
avenue when several feet north of the
street intersection; that the car
swerved into Choctaw avenue; that
the driver stated something was
wrong with his steering gear; that
Mr. and Mrs. Hicks had started
across Choctaw; that they were well
to the left of the middle of the street
when the car struck them; that the
front wheels of the car had struck
a brick lying to the left of the center
of Sixth street and to the north of
the intersection of Sixth street and
Choctaw avenue; that both the man
and the woman were knocked down;
that Mrs. Hicks was dragged about 15
feet by the car before the car was
stopped; that Mrs. Hicks was ren-
dered unconscious and was in an un-
conscious condition when carried into
the hotel.

When called over the telephone at
1 o'clock this afternoon and asked for
his version of the accident, Jake Lor-
ensen of the O. K. cab line said he
had no statement to give out.

Information given out through the
police, states that the taxi drivers
aver the steering gear to the auto had
gotten out of fix and that the driver
of the car was unable to manage
the machine. It was also stated that
parties present at the accident
alleged at the time the driver was
blameless and that his quick action
in the matter of stopping his car was all
that prevented a possibly fatal acci-
dent.

Mr. Hicks is employed at the Rock
Island shops. His injuries were not
serious.

Chief Phillips stated this morning
that the city council would be asked,
by the police department at the meet-
ing tonight to devise some means
which might help in enforcing the
safety idea in auto driving. "Last
night's accident is only one sample of
what may be expected unless some-
thing drastic is done," said Chief Phil-
lips.

WEATHER FORECAST. For Oklahoma.

During twenty-four hours ending 3
a. m. today:
Tonight, partly cloudy; Friday, gen-
erally fair, warmer.
Local Temperature.
Maximum, 55 degrees.
Minimum, 29 degrees.